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TO: Members of the House Human Services Committee

FROM: Anderson Heiman, AARP Montana

RE: HB 578- Health corps for in-home medical care

Madam Chair and members of the committee, my name is Andy Heiman representing AARP Montana – a non-profit, non-partisan organization of 165,000 members in this state. AARP Montana believes that the home-health corps is a good idea for every party involved.

In a recent AARP survey 70% of our membership said they wanted a choice in where they age. AARP Montana is a big advocate for Home and Community based services programs, which is a Medicaid-based home-health care nursing home alternative.

The health corps is a simple, common-sense solution addressing the demands of home-health care and lets retired doctors who want to help do so.

Thank you, and we urge your support of HB 578, because it is a common-sense solution.